



Kentucky Department for Medicaid Services Pharmacy and Therapeutics Advisory Committee Recommendations

November 17, 2016

The following chart provides a summary of the recommendations that were made by the Pharmacy and Therapeutics (P&T) Advisory Committee at the **November 17, 2016** meeting.

Pending is the review of the recommendations and final decisions by the Commissioner of the Department for Medicaid Services of the Cabinet for Health and Family Services.

	Description of Recommendation	P & T Vote
1	New Products to Market: Qbrelis TM	Passed
	Non-prefer in PDL class: Angiotensin Receptor Blockers (Angiotensin	8 For
	Modulators)	0 Against
	Length of Authorization: 1 year	1 Abstain
	Qbrelis (lisinopril) oral solution is indicated for the treatment of hypertension in adults and pediatric patients equal to or greater than 6 years of age, as adjunct therapy for systolic heart failure in adults, and for	
	reduction of mortality in acute myocardial infarction (AMI) in adults. Approval Criteria:	
	• 6 - 17 years of age; AND	
	Have diagnosis of hypertension; AND	
	■ Have eGFR > 30mL/min/1.73m2; AND	
	Not be able to take an oral capsule or tablet.	
	OR	
	Patient must not be pregnant; AND	
	■ ≥ 18 years of age; AND	
	 Have diagnosis of heart failure, acute myocardial infarction, or hypertension; AND 	
	Not be able to take an oral capsule or tablet.	
	Quantity Limit = adults: 40mg per day; pediatrics - 0.61mg per kg per day or 40mg per day, whichever is lower (to be determined during the clinical review of the PA request).	

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2	New Products to Market: Byvalson TM	Passed
	Non-prefer in the PDL class: Angiotensin Modulator + Combinations	9 For
	(Angiotensin Modulator Combinations)	0 Against
	Length of Authorization: 1 year	
	Byvalson (nebivolol/valsartan) is the combination of a beta-blocker and an	
	angiotensin II receptor blocker (ARB) available as a 5mg/80mg tablet. It is indicated for the treatment of hypertension (HTN).	
	Approval Criteria:	
	Patient has had a trial and failure of 2 first-line HTN therapies comprised	
	of multiple single agents used in combination (e.g., Calcium Channel	
	Blocker [CCB] + Angiotensin Converting Enzyme Inhibitor [ACEI]).	
	Quantity Limit = 1 tablet per day	
3	New Products to Market: Zurampic®	Passed
	Non-prefer in PDL class: Antihyperuricemics	9 For
	Length of Authorization: 1 year	0 Against
	Zurampic (lesinurad) 200mg tablets are indicated for use in combination	
	with a xanthine oxidase inhibitor for the treatment of hyperuricemia	
	associated with gout in patients who have not achieved target serum uric acid levels with a xanthine oxidase inhibitor alone.	
	Approval Criteria:	
	■ ≥ 18 years of age; AND	
	 Have symptomatic hyperuricemia associated with gout; AND 	
	Have documented trial and failure of xanthine oxidase inhibitor	
	monotherapy at maximum tolerated dose; AND	
	 Using lesinurad in combination with a xanthine oxidase inhibitor; AND 	
	■ Patient does not have severe renal impairment (CrCl < 45mL/min), ESRD, kidney transplant, or is on dialysis; AND	
	• Patient does not have tumor lysis syndrome or Lesch-Nyhan syndrome.	
	Quantity Limit = 1 tablet per day	



	Description of Recommendation	P & T Vote
4	New Products to Market: Relistor® (oral)	Passed
	Non-prefer in PDL class: GI Motility Agents (GI Motility, Chronic)	9 For
	Length of Authorization: 6 months	0 Against
	Relistor (methylnaltrexone bromide) tablets are indicated for the treatment of opioid-induced constipation (OIC) in adult patients with chronic non-cancer pain.	
	Approval Criteria:	
	■ ≥ 18 years of age; AND	
	 Patient does not have known or suspected mechanical gastrointestinal obstruction; AND 	
	 If patient is female, must not currently be breastfeeding; AND 	
	 Response to standard laxative therapy is inadequate (<3 bowel movements in preceding 7 days). 	
	Standard therapy is defined as routine, scheduled use of 3 or more of the following:	
	 Dietary changes 	
	■ Stool softeners	
	■ Stimulant laxatives	
	 Osmotic or saline laxatives 	
	■ Bulk forming laxatives	
	■ Lubricants	
	Quantity Limit = 3 tablets per day	
5	New Products to Market: Epclusa®	Passed
	Prefer in PDL class: Hepatitis C Agents; (Hepatitis C Agents)	9 For
	Prefer for Genotypes 2 and 3 ONLY.	0 Against
	Length of Authorization: 12 weeks	
	Epclusa (sofosbuvir/velpatasvir) 400mg/100mg tablets is a fixed-dose combination of a nucleotide analog NS5B polymerase inhibitor (sofosbuvir) and an NS5A inhibitor (velpatasvir) indicated for the treatment of adult patients with chronic HCV genotype 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, or 6 infection, with or without compensated cirrhosis, or with decompensated cirrhosis in combination with ribavirin.	
	All class criteria must be met for approval.	
	Quantity Limit: 28 tablets per 28 days.	



	Description of Recommendation	P & T Vote
6	New Products to Market: Otovel TM	Passed
	Non-prefer in PDL class: Otic Antibiotics	9 For
	Length of Authorization: 7 days	0 Against
	Otovel TM (ciprofloxacin/fluocinolone acetonide) solution, for otic use, is a combination of an antibacterial and a corticosteroid. Each single-dose vial contains ciprofloxacin 0.3% along with fluocinolone acetonide 0.025%. Otovel solution is indicated for the treatment of acute otitis media with tympanostomy tubes in pediatric patients aged 6 months and older due to Staphylococcus aureus, Streptococcus pneumoniae, Haemophilus influenzae, Moraxella catarrhalis, and Pseudomonas aeruginosa, for duration of no more than 7 days.	
	Criteria for Approval:	
	Patient is ≥ 6 months of age; AND	
	Diagnosis of acute otitis media; AND	
	Patient has tympanostomy tubes; AND	
	 Patient does not have a viral infection of the external ear canal or any fungal otic infection. 	
7	Antipsychotics:	Passed
	First Generation:	9 For
	 DMS to select preferred agent(s) based on economic evaluation; however, at least 4 unique chemical entities, at least 1 representing an agent from each of the potency groups, should be preferred. Agents not selected as preferred will be considered non-preferred and require prior authorization. 	0 Against
	Allow continuation of therapy for non-preferred, single-source branded products via a 90-day look back.	
	• For any new chemical entity in the <i>First Generation Antipsychotics</i> class, require a PA until reviewed by the P&T Advisory Committee.	
	Second Generation:	
	 DMS to select preferred agent(s) based on economic evaluation; however, at least 5 unique chemical entities should be preferred. 	
	 Agents not selected as preferred will be considered non-preferred and require prior approval. 	
	Continue quantity limits on agents in this class.	
	 Allow continuation of therapy for non-preferred, single-source branded products via a 90-day look back. 	
	For any new chemical entity in the <i>Second-Generation Antipsychotics</i> class, require a PA until reviewed by the P&T Advisory Committee.	
	**NOTE: grandfathering is allowed for those taking either formulation (ODT or solution) of aripiprazole prior to the status change.	
	Injectables:	
	■ DMS to select preferred agent(s) based on economic evaluation. Generic formulations of first generation injectable antipsychotics should be preferred. Additionally, 2 unique second generation injectable antipsychotics, 1 of which should have a duration of action of 2 weeks or longer, should be preferred.	



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	 Agents not selected as preferred will be considered non-preferred and require prior approval. 	
	 Continue quantity limits on agents in this class. 	
	 Allow continuation of therapy for non-preferred, single-source branded products via a 90-day look back. 	
	• For any new chemical entity in the <i>Antipsychotics</i> class, require a PA until reviewed by the P&T Advisory Committee.	
	Combination Products (Symbyax®):	
	 DMS to select preferred agent(s) based on economic evaluation. 	
	 Agents not selected as preferred will be considered non-preferred and require prior approval. 	
	 Continue quantity limits on agents in this class. 	
	 Allow continuation of therapy for non-preferred, single-source branded products via a 90-day look back. 	
	 For any new chemical entity in the Second Generation Antipsychotic and SSRI Combination class, require a PA until reviewed by the P&T Advisory Committee. 	
8	Oncology Oral – Other	Passed
	 DMS to select preferred agent(s) based on economic evaluation; 	9 For
	however, at least 1 oral agent representing a Category 1 recommendation by the NCCN for each cancer type should be preferred.	0 Against
	 Continue quantity limits based on FDA-approved maximum dose. 	
	 Agents not selected as preferred will be considered non-preferred and require PA. 	
	 DMS to allow continuation of therapy for existing users of non- preferred, single-source branded products via a 90-day look back. 	
	• For any new chemical entity in the <i>Oral Oncology, Other</i> class, require a PA until reviewed by the P&T Advisory Committee.	



	Description of Recommendation	P & T Vote
9	Ophthalmics, Allergic Conjunctivitis Antihistamines: DMS to select preferred agent(s) based on economic evaluation; however, at least 1 unique chemical entity should be preferred.	Passed 9 For 0 Against
	 Agents not selected as preferred will be considered non-preferred and require PA. For any new chemical entity in the <i>Ophthalmic Antihistamines</i> class, require a PA until reviewed by the P&T Advisory Committee. Mast-Cell Stabilizers: DMS to select preferred agent(s) based on economic evaluation; however, at least 1 unique chemical entity should be preferred. Agents not selected as preferred will be considered non-preferred and require PA. For any new chemical entity in the <i>Ophthalmic Mast Cell Stabilizers</i> class, require a PA until reviewed by the P&T Advisory Committee. 	
10	 Ophthalmics, Antibiotic-Steroid Combinations DMS to select preferred agent(s) based on economic evaluation; however, at least 2 unique chemical entities should be preferred. Agents not selected as preferred will be considered non-preferred and require PA. For any new chemical entity in the Ophthalmic Antibiotics-Steroid Combinations class, require a PA until reviewed by the P&T Advisory Committee. 	Passed 9 For 0 Against
11	Ophthalmics, Anti-inflammatories NSAIDs: DMS to select preferred agent(s) based on economic evaluation; however, at least 2 unique chemical entities should be preferred. Agents not selected as preferred will be considered non-preferred and require PA. For any new chemical entity in the Ophthalmic NSAIDs class, require a PA until reviewed by the P&T Advisory Committee. Anti-Inflammatory Steroids: DMS to select preferred agent(s) based on economic evaluation; however, at least 3 unique chemical entities should be preferred. Agents not selected as preferred will be considered non-preferred and require PA. For any new chemical entity in the Ophthalmic Anti-inflammatory Steroids class, require a PA until reviewed by the P&T Advisory Committee.	Passed 9 For 0 Against



	Description of Recommendation	P & T Vote
2	Ophthalmics, Anti-inflammatories/ Immunomodulators	Passed
	New Product to class: Xiidra TM — Non-prefer	9 For
	Length of Authorization: 6 months initial; 1 year re-approval	0 Against
	Xiidra (lifitegrast) 5% ophthalmic solution is a lymphocyte function-	
	associated antigen-1 (LFA-1) antagonist approved for treating the signs	
	and symptoms of dry eye disease in adults.	
	Initial Criteria Approval:	
	■ ≥ 17 years of age; AND	
	 Have a diagnosis of chronic dry eye disease (DED) (e.g., not associated with seasonal allergies) or chronic eye dryness secondary to Sjögren's syndrome; AND 	
	 Have presence of conjunctival redness; AND 	
	■ Have 1 of the following:	
	 Corneal fluorescein staining score of ≥ 2 points in any field on a 0 to 4 point scale; OR 	
	 Schirmer tear test (STT) of 1 to 10 mm in 5 minutes; AND 	
	 NOT be using concurrent ophthalmic cyclosporine (Restasis); AND 	
	 Have had an adequate trial and failure of over-the-counter (OTC) artificial tears (use of at least 4 times daily). 	
	Renewal Criteria:	
	Patient must	
	• Have improvement in signs of DED as measured by at least 1 of the following:	
	 Decrease in corneal fluorescein staining score; OR 	
	 Increase in number of mm per 5 minutes using Schirmer tear test; AND 	
	Decrease in conjunctival redness; AND	
	 Have improvement in ocular discomfort; AND 	
	 NOT be using concurrent ophthalmic cyclosporine (Restasis); AND 	
	 Not be using supplemental artificial tears concurrently with lifitegrast (Xiidra). 	
	Quantity Limit: 60 single-use containers per 30 days.	
	 DMS to select preferred agent(s) based on economic evaluation; however, at least 1 unique chemical entity should be preferred. 	
	 Agents not selected as preferred will be considered non-preferred and require PA. 	
	• For any new chemical entity in the <i>Ophthalmic Immunomodulator</i> class, require a PA until reviewed by the P&T Advisory Committee.	



	Description of Recommendation	P & T Vote
13	Ophthalmics, Glaucoma	Passed
	Beta-blockers:	9 For
	 DMS to select preferred agent(s) based on economic evaluation; however, at least 1 unique chemical entity should be preferred. 	0 Against
	 Agents not selected as preferred will be considered non-preferred and require PA. 	
	■ For any new chemical entity in the <i>Ophthalmic Glaucoma</i> , <i>Beta-blockers</i> class, require a PA until reviewed by the P&T Advisory Committee.	
	Carbonic Anhydrase Inhibitors:	
	 DMS to select preferred agent(s) based on economic evaluation; however, at least 1 unique chemical entity should be preferred. 	
	 Agents not selected as preferred will be considered non-preferred and require PA. 	
	■ For any new chemical entity in the <i>Ophthalmic Glaucoma, Carbonic Anhydrase Inhibitors</i> class, require a PA until reviewed by the P&T Advisory Committee.	
	Combinations:	
	 DMS to select preferred agent(s) based on economic evaluation; however, at least 1 combination product containing an ophthalmic beta-agonist should be preferred. 	
	 Agents not selected as preferred will be considered non-preferred and require PA. 	
	■ For any new chemical entity in the <i>Ophthalmic Combinations for Glaucoma</i> class, require a PA until reviewed by the P&T Advisory Committee.	
	Direct-Acting Miotics:	
	 DMS to select preferred agent(s) based on economic evaluation; however, at least 1 unique chemical entity should be preferred. 	
	 Agents not selected as preferred will be considered non-preferred and require PA. 	
	• For any new chemical entity in the <i>Ophthalmic Glaucoma Direct- Acting Miotics</i> class, require a PA until reviewed by the P&T Advisory Committee.	
	Prostaglandin Agonists:	
	 DMS to select preferred agent(s) based on economic evaluation; however, at least 1 unique chemical entity should be preferred. 	
	 Agents not selected as preferred will be considered non-preferred and require PA. 	
	 Continue current quantity limits on agents in this class. 	
	 For any new chemical entity in the <i>Ophthalmic Glaucoma</i>, <i>Prostaglandin Analogs</i> class, require a PA until reviewed by the P&T Advisory Committee. 	
	Sympathomimetics:	
	 DMS to select preferred agent(s) based on economic evaluation; however, at least 1 unique chemical entity should be preferred. 	
	 Agents not selected as preferred will be considered non-preferred and require PA. 	
	■ For any new chemical entity in the <i>Ophthalmic Sympathomimetics</i> class, require a PA until reviewed by the P&T Advisory Committee.	



Consent Agenda

The P&T Committee had no recommended changes to the current Preferred Drug List (PDL) status for the therapeutic classes below.

	Therapeutic Classes	P & T Vote
14	Antianginal & Anti-ischemic Agents	Passed
	Antiarrhythmics, Oral	9 For
	Antibiotics, Topical	0 Against
	Anticoagulants	
	Antiemetic & Antivertigo Agents	
	BPH Agents	
	Bronchodilators, Beta-Agonists	
	Calcium Channel Blockers	
	Cytokine & CAM Antagonists	
	H. Pylori Agents	
	Hepatitis C Agents (Interferons & Ribavirins)	
	• Laxatives & Cathartics	
	• Lipotropics, Other	
	Neuropathic Pain	
	Oncology Oral – Hematologic	
	Ophthalmics, Antibiotics	
	Ophthalmics, Antivirals	
	Ophthalmics, Mydriatics	
	Platelet Aggregation Inhibitors	
	Proton Pump Inhibitors	
	Stimulants & Related Agents	
	Thrombopoiesis Stimulating Proteins	

